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Application No.: 09/838,197) Examiner: E. Elhilo
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Copies of the listed documents, including any co-pending patent applications, are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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EP 0465342 A1 - This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 5154918, submitted herewith.

EP 0512879 A2 - This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 5628991, submitted herewith..

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Applicant has enclosed a copy of the PCT Search Report for the Examiner's consideration.

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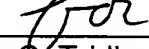
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